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CHRISTMAS AT ST. PATRICK'S.

Music like unto some melody divine, chanted by heavenly hosts, decorations typical of the ever-blossoming New Jerusalem, altar boys clad in immaculate white, with devotion inspiring men, and singing pious, the night and Holy Sacrifice, and, over all, the spirit of devotion and reverence—all these things, both human and divine, joined forces to celebrate the birth of the infant Jesus in St. Patrick's at 4 a. m. on Christmas day, 1899. The spacious building was crowded to its utmost, and pious guests, prompt to the minute the organs rolled forth, and thirty altar boys filed into the sanctuary in quiet, clever and faultless marching order. The evening of step and movement displayed by the little fellows in counter marching, over their reached their places, worthy of a special mention. Solemn High Mass began at 6 a. m. on Christmas day, 1899. The spacious building was crowded to its utmost, and pious guests, prompt to the minute the organs rolled forth, and thirty altar boys filed into the sanctuary in quiet, clever and faultless marching order. The evening of step and movement displayed by the little fellows in counter marching, over their reached their places, worthy of a special mention. Solemn High Mass began at 6 a. m. on Christmas day, 1899. The spacious building was crowded to its utmost, and pious guests, prompt to the minute the organs rolled forth, and thirty altar boys filed into the sanctuary in quiet, clever and faultless marching order.

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Mr. Henry Siegel of Salt Lake, who has mercantile interests here, is up on a business visit.

Mr. Frank Butler will edit the Montana Catholic this week in the absence of Mr. Frank Sullivan.

Rev. Father Guymard of Salt Lake accompanied Father O'Brien on a flying visit to Helena on Thursday last.

Rev. M. J. Murphy, S. M., of Salt Lake, will deliver a sermon on "The Sacred Heart" at St. Patrick's on Sunday, Dec. 31.

Father Harrington of St. Patrick's is all at St. James' hospital. Latest reports stated that the reverend gentleman was improving.

Father Dubois and Ralquin of All Saints came over from Anaconda on Thursday and will make a visit to the Butte Catholics.

Father Dubois of Walkerville, who has been quite ill with a severe attack of cold, which settled in the bronchial tubes, is now rapidly recovering.

A happy gathering will celebrate the New Year on next Monday evening at the Y. M. I. parlors. That "we will have a jolly time" goes without saying.

Master Leo Moran and his little sister, from Helena academy, are gladdening the home folk here during the holidays. Master Leo is one of All Hallows' best and brightest boys.

The Sisters of St. Patrick's parochial school were the happy recipients on Friday, Dec. 22, of a handsome glass front bookcase of exceptional finish and workmanship, the gift of Mr. D. J. Hennessy.

Dr. McKendry of the Butte Optical company enjoyed his "Christmas cheer" in Pocatello. That the doctor had a glowing time, he himself is saying. Pocatello people are noted for hospitality.

Masters Creighton, Largey and Ransom Rice of All Hallows college are home enjoying the holidays. Both young gentlemen made a very creditable "bell" in proper order from the fourth Mass of Mozart.

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little girls, ranging in age from 10 to 12 years, clad in flowing robes of light purple, took part. The women in themselves were very touching, but when supplemented by the unaffected grace and self-possession of childhood and the soulful expression of childish innocence beaming in all its purity from every pore, "Jesus, Savior of My Soul," instead of something that moves to tears, actors may arrive for, but few can counterfeit the expression of eye and feature seen in children by the close sympathetic observer.

In his closing remarks, Rev. Father Callahan complimented both Sisters and pupils not only on the work of the afternoon, but on the good showing made during the term. The children were advised to play well, to eat well and to sleep well during the holidays that they may take up the work of 1900 with an energy and relish that can mean naught else than success in June. The programme was a decided success, and the pupils, and a pleasure to all attending. Rev. Fathers Callahan, Batens, Blair, English, Harrington and Cassidy were present.

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